

A CONFESSION
OF WEAKNESSSays Bryan About Roosevelt's
Letter to Taft

DEMOCRAT IS OVERJOYED

President Had Written to a Montana
Man a Letter in Which He Set
Forth Taft's Qualifications
for the Presidency.

Baltimore, Sept. 14.—With a copy of President Roosevelt's declaration for Taft under his arm, Bryan reached here to-day. The fact that the president had defied tradition and set out to personally conduct a fight for Taft's election had seemingly brought joy to the Democratic leader, who considered the action a real "confession of weakness."

"It was to be expected that Roosevelt would come to support Taft," said Bryan. "However, the testimony of the president might be objected to as irrelevant, incompetent and immaterial and not the best of evidence. If Taft were dead, it would be interesting to know from Roosevelt what he knew of Taft's opinions and views, but as Taft is alive and able to speak for himself, it is hardly necessary for Roosevelt to tell us what Taft believes or what he will do."

Taft's running platform proved so unsatisfactory to him that he has been forced to amend it in several particulars and yet even as amended it gives the public no definite idea where Taft stands.

"It is not sufficient for President Roosevelt to say that Taft is a friend of labor. Taft does not agree with the laboring man in regard to the use of the injunction in labor disputes."

Bryan said further that Taft's position on the trusts was not changed by the president's endorsement; on the tariff Taft has failed to express himself with any clearness.

Letter was written to Montana Man.

President Roosevelt's letter was to Conrad Kohrs of Helena, Montana. Mr. Kohrs is an old-time Montana cattleman and one of the most prominent citizens of Montana. He and the president came into close relationship more than 20 years ago, when they were both members of the Montana Stock Growers' association, the president being at that time the representative of the Little Missouri stock growers in the association. The letter was his last kept up to date.

Mr. Kohrs is one of the pioneer citizens of the northern Rocky mountain region and one of the men who has taken a leading part in its great development. Mr. Kohrs' letter was called forth by Mr. Bryan's statement that he (Mr. Bryan) was the president's heir and natural successor.

Special features of the letter are as follows:

"Mr. Taft is the man who I feel is in an especial sense the representative of all that in which I most believe in political life."

"Mr. Taft unites entire disinterestedness, courage, both moral and physical, of the very highest type, and a kindly generosity of nature which makes him feel that all of his fellow-countrymen are in very truth his friends and brothers, that their interests are his, and that all his great qualities are to be spent with lavish freedom in their service."

"I have naturally a peculiar interest in the success of Mr. Taft and in seeing him backed by a majority in both houses of Congress which will heartily support his policies."

"Mr. Taft can be trusted to exact justice from the railroads for the very reason that he can be trusted to do justice to the railroads."

"Mr. Taft will not favor a ruinous experiment like government ownership of railroads; he will stand against any kind of confiscation of honestly-acquired property, but he will work effectively for the most efficient type of government supervision and control of railroads."

"Mr. Taft never has yielded and never will yield to threat or pressure of any sort, as little if it comes from him as if it comes from capital; he will no more tolerate the violence of the mob than the corruption and oppression and arrogance of a corporation or of a wealthy man."

"On the bench Judge Taft showed the two qualities which make a great judge—wisdom and moral courage. They are also the two qualities which make a great president."

\$15.65 FOR FIGHTING.

Middlesex Man Paid Judge Harvey For His Muscular Effort.

It cost George LaPoint of Middlesex \$15.65 in Montpelier city court today for decorating Bert Smith with his first trademark in a scarp on Main street, Montpelier, Saturday night. The police were called at about 11 o'clock. LaPoint pleaded guilty to a breach of the peace. Mrs. Mary Worcester, convicted for a subsequent offense of intoxication, didn't disagree satisfactorily today and was sent back to the county jail.

FOR EMBEZZLEMENT.

Phillip Chesley of Geneva, N. Y., Arrested in St. Albans Today.

St. Albans, Sept. 14.—Phillip Chesley of Geneva, N. Y., was arrested here this morning by Chief of Police J. S. Mahoney for the embezzlement of \$500 from the Wright Brothers company of Geneva, a nursery concern, while he was employed by them as an agent. The company had been on a still hunt for him for three weeks.

Miss Annie Baldwin of Mexico City, who has been the guest of Miss Ruth Parker of Highland avenue, went to Randolph today. She was accompanied by Miss Parker.

HEAVY FIRE LOSS
IS WELL COVERED

Franklin County Creamery at St. Albans Partly Destroyed Saturday Evening—Will Be Rebuilt.

St. Albans, Sept. 14.—This city suffered its severest fire loss since the destruction of the Weldon house when the Franklin County creamery was burned Saturday evening. A rough estimate of the loss places it at \$50,000 with \$45,000 insurance. It started from some unknown cause in the engine room and the fire department with an inadequate water supply, owing to the drought, could not save any part of the main building which burned like tinder.

The night watchman was at the end of the building furthest from the engine room when he discovered smoke pouring from it. The alarm was rung in at 9:51 and it was not until 12:45 that the firemen were able to control the flames. They were successful in saving the cold storage plant closely adjoining, which is full of tons of butter, and the ice making plant with its valuable apparatus worth \$20,000.

The creamery was a wooden building and its grease soaked floors and oil saturated machinery made its burning inevitable. The safe with its contents of books and papers fell from the ground floor into the basement, broken open and its contents were burned.

For many years the creamery was the largest in the world and was said to have a capacity of 40,000 pounds of butter a day. It had not been worked to the full of late but its destruction means the throwing out of employment of 25 men. It had been receiving the milk from about 1,000 dairies and until it was rebuilt, as was decided at a meeting of the directors this morning, the cream will be sent to the branch factory of the company at Newport.

GREAT PROCESSION
IN LONDON STREETS

There Was Little Disturbance Yesterday Afternoon, Although an Immense Crowd Turned Out.

London, Sept. 14.—A great procession of Catholic clergy, which brought to an end the Eucharistic conference, was held yesterday afternoon amid scenes such as the English churchmen who planned it had never anticipated. Cardinal Vannutelli, the pope's legate, walked at the head of the procession, wearing his scarlet robes and hat, but not carrying the host. He was accompanied by a bodyguard of English peers, of whom the Duke of Norfolk was the most prominent, and a concourse of cardinals, archbishops and bishops, who were attired in unceremonial robes instead of vestments, which originally it had been proposed they should wear.

ORADELL'S GOOD RECORD.

L. M. Seaver's Fast Horse Had Had a Fine Record of Victories.

L. M. Seaver's fast racer Oradell, although beaten at the Barton fair by Lucy A., has nevertheless had a remarkably good record on the track this season. In the races on the Barre track, Oradell captured three races and was only beaten by Blue Ribbon in the fourth race entered. At the Morrisville fair, Oradell won the \$500 218 stake race and the week prior to that the horse captured a similar event at the big Sherbrooke fair. In the race lost at Barton last week, Oradell made the winner go under the wire twice in 2:14 1/2. The Williamstown horse is surely in the reckoning when the winning Vermont horses of 1908 are considered.

A new state record was made at Barton Friday when George E. Whitney's Jennie W. stepped a mile in 2:08 1/2 in the free-for-all, thus beating the record of 2:08 3/4, made earlier in the season at Middlebury. Not only did Jennie W. make a new track record, but she won three heats in 2:09 1/2, 2:08 1/2 and 2:09 1/2, said to be the best time made by a horse in three consecutive heats.

RESCUED FROM LAKE.

Daniel Foy Had Gone Down Three Times After Fall From Lumber Pile.

Burlington, Sept. 14.—Daniel Foy, aged 50 years, and employed at the Shepard & Morse lumber yard, fell from a lumber pile to Lake Champlain this morning. He was unable to swim. He was resuscitated after going down three times, having been brought up from the lake bottom.

ELLEN JOHANNOTT PETTINGILL.

Died Late Yesterday Just a Year After Her Husband.

The death of Mrs. Ellen Johannott Pettingill occurred late yesterday in Montpelier a year after the death of her husband, Aaron Martin Pettingill. She spent the early part of her life in Minnesota and Illinois but for the last 20 years she had lived with her only child, Mrs. R. K. Peck of Montpelier. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

DEATH OF REPRESENTATIVE.

George Marsh, Recently Elected in Hancock, Was 67 Years Old.

Word was received in Montpelier today of the death of George Marsh, the representative-elect from the town of Hancock. He was 67 years of age.

NOTICE TO USERS
OF CITY WATER

The water situation is critical. The water department is obliged to take immediate steps to prevent the waste of water. It will, therefore, have its men look over the polishing mills and business blocks. Wherever it is found that water is being wasted the water will be shut off entirely. Users will govern themselves accordingly and save fixtures repaired at once. The use of hose is positively forbidden.

Per order, water committee.

MAINE VOTING
VERY HEAVILYIndications of a Record Vote
Cast To-day

REPUBLICANS WILL WIN

But It Is Probable That the Plurality
For Fernald Will Be Cut Down
Below 20,000—Gardner Is
Still Hopeful.

Portland, Me., Sept. 14.—Indian summer weather is bringing out a record vote in Maine. The Republicans lead, but there is but little doubt of the results. There is but little doubt of the results. There is but little doubt of the results.

The Republican candidate for governor, Bert M. Fernald, was claiming that he would receive a plurality in the neighborhood of 20,000 but others in his own party expressed the fear that the vote would be cut down because many voters would desert because of their belief in the resubmission of the liquor question. Reports throughout the state said that many Republicans were going to vote the Democratic ticket for that reason.

Democratic leaders claimed that their party candidate, Oswald Gardner, would be elected by a safe margin. Since 1880 the Republicans have won by pluralities averaging about 23,000 in presidential years. In "off years" the Republican plurality has averaged a trifle under 20,000. Last election Governor Cobb got 26,516 plurality out of 131,486.

LOOKS LIKE HUGHES
ON FIRST BALLOTRepublican Bosses Opposed to Him Could
Not Agree on an Opposition
Candidate.

Saratoga, N. Y., Sept. 14.—There is every indication that Hugh O'Connell, Republican convention that meets this afternoon at three o'clock will nominate Hughes for governor on the first ballot. The bosses opposed to him were unable this morning to agree on another candidate. Secretary Root, chairman of the convention, announced that he will not accept the nomination.

DEATH OF AGED WOMAN.

Mrs. Lewis Cutts Leaves an Aged Husband 92 Years Old.

The death of Mrs. Lewis Cutts, which occurred at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. F. Bradford, 30 Park street, severed the married life of a couple which had extended over a period of 68 years. Mrs. Cutts was 88 years old and her husband, who survives her, is 92 years old. The cause of her death was a general breaking down from old age. She had been strong and active all her life and was confined to her bed only two weeks before the end came.

Mrs. Cutts was born in New Hampshire, but most of her life had been spent in this state. The funeral services were held from the late home at two o'clock this afternoon. The Rev. E. O. Thayer, pastor of the Methodist M. E. church, of which she was a member, officiated. The interment was in the Elmwood cemetery.

Besides her husband she leaves two daughters and two sons, Mrs. C. S. Larkin, Mrs. W. F. Bradford and Allen Cutts of Groton; also a sister, Mrs. Almona Bates of Plainfield, and two brothers, Stephen Peabody of Haverhill, S. D., and Louis Peabody of Newport. She was the oldest of a family of nine children.

AUGUST PRESCRIPTIONS.

Four Washington County Druggists Report 216 Sales.

The druggists holding fifth class liquor licenses in Washington county have filed their reports for August, showing that they made 216 sales, against 234 for July. Four of them reported as follows:

Islam of Waterbury	16
Park of Montpelier	88
Kendrick of Barre	88
Drown of Barre	79

NEGRONI—CALCAGNI.

Proprietor of Bakery Married on Saturday Afternoon.

The wedding of Private Negroni, proprietor of the French and Italian bakery on Granite street, and Miss Luigia Calcagni, also of this city, took place at the home of the bride, 44 Granite street, Saturday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Justice of the Peace H. W. Scott at three o'clock, in the presence of friends of the bride and groom. A wedding supper was given early in the evening, at which many of the friends of the newly married couple attended. The bride and groom left for their honeymoon on the night train for a week's stay in Boston, and upon their return will reside at 44 Granite street.

SUIT OVER SOAP.

Swift Soap Company Sued Sowden & Lyon of Barre.

The suit of Swift Soap company against Sowden & Lyon of Barre over five cases of soap was heard in Montpelier city court today. The plaintiff asked for the price. The defendants asked for the price of the soap taken on trial, that there was no call for that brand and that they wanted to return it. The court reserved decision until later in the day or tomorrow.

RELATION OF CHURCH
AND LABOR UNIONSSubject of an Interesting Sermon by the
Rev. W. J. M. Beattie at the
Episcopal Church Last
Evening.

The Church of the Good Shepherd was well filled last evening, when the pastor, Rev. W. J. M. Beattie, preached upon the subject, "The Relations Between the Churches and the Trades-unions." The speaker took for his text a part of the third verse of the third chapter of Amos, "Can two walk together except they be agreed?"

The answer to this depends, he said, on their character and the matter of agreement. If the persons are nervous their differences irritate them, and this is true of those who are suspicious of the truth of their own arguments. He who is sure that he is in possession of the truth can afford to be serene and they who are agreed can have nothing to say.

If the good associate only with the good, then the bad become worse. The man who sees plainly should take him blind brother by the arm and lead him in the path.

There is much that is fundamentally the same in the church and the labor unions. The history of the unions has been like the history of the churches, and to many men the union is their church and the idea of progress the kingdom of heaven. The church and the union have been curiously in accord in their blinders.

The church and the union are alike in their variety and the different unions differ as do the different churches. There are many differences, but both are the same in preferring to be judged by their best. Another thing in which they are alike is in their unity of purpose; that both are working for the benefit of mankind at large. The church has been said to act as if a man was all soul and no body, and the unions as if a man was all body and no soul.

A man ought to belong to a union to find the life for himself and his fellows and the same man ought to belong to the church to develop the spiritual side. Nothing will help you so much as coming to God's house for an hour or so on Sunday. Both the unions and the churches could do better work if they understood each other better. Both are actuated alike by the unselfish purpose to do good.

The problem is how to advance our common purpose. There is no help for a good cause in compulsion. Men are brought to the right by being convinced. We have made use of the strike and have found the policy of compulsion to be a tragic blunder. God planned the instinct of independence in man, and it will be maintained. The unions are following in the steps of the church and are learning the same lessons and repeating the same mistakes better and purer.

gained only by reason and persuasion.

TWO PAULIST FATHERS
BEGIN A MISSIONFrs. Kennedy and Brady Will Be at St.
Monica's Church For the Next
Two Weeks, Holding
Services.

A two weeks' series of missions or revival services began at St. Monica's Roman Catholic church at high mass yesterday morning. The services, in charge of Father Kennedy and Brady, two Paulist fathers from New York City, Father Kennedy opened the mission at the 10:30 mass, preaching on the objects of the mission and the reasons for coming to hold them.

In the evening Father Kennedy preached on "The Objects of Life." He said that the objects of life should not be the attainment of riches, pleasure or honors as none of these were really satisfying. All desire happiness, and the real object of life should be to serve God and thereby gain a happy eternity.

The sermon last evening was the first of a series for women only which will be continued during this week. Next week the Fathers will preach a series for the men only.

Early masses will be held during the week at five and eight o'clock each morning at each of which will be instructions will be given. At the conclusion of the evening services which will come at 7:30, general instructions will be given.

KNOCKED OFF TRACK
BY A LOCOMOTIVEHand Car Carrying P. Cioffi and Wife
Came to Grief and Cioffi Got Badly Injured When He Was
Thrown Off.

While taking a handcar ride to their home at Brown's mills Saturday afternoon P. Cioffi, an Italian peddler at the Montpelier Central Vermont station, and Mrs. Cioffi were struck by a locomotive on the Central Vermont road. Cioffi was thrown into the ditch and sustained a fracture of a collarbone, of one arm and of several ribs. His wife escaped with only a few bruises.

Band Concert Tuesday Evening.

The Montpelier Band will give the next to the last concert of the city series at the City park stand, Tuesday evening, September 14, with the following program:

March, Manhattan Beach, Sousa.
Overture, Nascimben, Aubert.
Song for the saxophone, "I am Waiting," Williams, by Mr. E. W. Bruce.
Melody, Nippon, Lincoln.
Waltz, Mein Thüringer, Kiesel.
Paraphrase, "Nearer My God to Thee," Reves.
March, Dunlap Commandery, Hall.

Number 1 bananas at retail 10 and 15 cents a dozen. At wholesale, \$12 to \$13 a bunch. This is all good, prime fruit, such as will cost nearly double at most other places. Purchase at once. New England Fruit store.

SONG BIRDS
COST DEARLYHarry Spinella Paid \$58.30
For Ten of Them

CAUGHT BY GAME WARDEN

Spinella Pulled a Toy Pistol on the
Warden, But Threw It Away When
Covered by a Real Gun—Two
Girls Also in Court.

The first arrest for violation of the game laws in shooting song birds to be made in this city for some time was made yesterday morning, when Game Warden Henry Rust captured Harry Spinella in the woods back of Jones Brothers' plant. Spinella had ten birds in his pockets when the warden, who had been on a still hunt for him for nearly an hour, finally caught him. He at first protested the warden's claim that he was shooting birds and said that he was only trying a new gun at a target. On searching him, however, the warden found four yellowbills and six song birds in the lining of his coat.

After spending the day and night in the police station Spinella was arraigned in city court this morning and pleaded guilty to the charge. He was fined \$50 and costs of \$8.30, which he paid. The fine under the statutes is \$5 for each bird killed. Game Warden Rust had been receiving complaints that birds were being shot in these woods, and on account of the thickness of the woods and the many chances to get away, he had made several unsuccessful attempts to catch the hunters. Yesterday morning he was in the woods bright and early and by 7:30 o'clock was marching to the police station with his quarry.

The warden was assisted in the capture by Alex. McIntosh, and while they were coming out of the woods the man tried all manner of ways to get away, and also tried to dispose of the birds by throwing them into the bushes.

As the trio was crossing the foot bridge at Jones Bros' plant, the prisoner drew a revolver out of his pocket and leveled it at the warden, who was walking ahead. At a shout of warning from McIntosh the warden turned and had his revolver instantly flashing in the face of the prisoner, who quickly threw away his weapon, which proved to be a toy revolver.

Notwithstanding his heavy fine in this case, Spinella was let off easy by the court and the prosecuting officer, who found him fined him for hunting on Sunday and a third charge could have been brought for violating the city ordinances in firing a gun within the city limits.

LITTLE GIRLS ON PROBATION.

They Pledged Guilty to Taking a Pocketbook with \$10.

Mabel Rago, aged 9 years, and Nina Ford, aged 12 years, were brought before the court this forenoon on the charge of the larceny of a pocketbook containing a little over \$10 from the home of Mrs. S. J. Jones on Eastern avenue last Friday afternoon. The little girls pleaded guilty to the charge and were sentenced to the Vermont industrial school for the remainder of their minority, but the execution of the sentence was suspended by Judge Scott and the girls were placed under the charge of the probation officer.

The opportunity for the stealing of the pocketbook was brought about under peculiar circumstances. Thursday afternoon Mrs. Jones saw the two girls out in the yard in front of her house and invited them in to try on a waist which she was making for a little niece of hers, who was about the same size as one of the girls. After trying the waist on them, Mrs. Jones talked with them and gave them some nuts and invited them to come and see her again. The next afternoon about 1:30 o'clock the girls returned the call and while Mrs. Jones was in another part of the house the girls took a pocketbook from the dresser in the bedroom. Mrs. Jones missed the pocketbook and called the girls and they admitted the theft.

The girls had told Mrs. Jones that one of them went to school at the Brook street building and the other at the Beckley street school. The chief went to these two schools and found out that the Rago and Ford girls were at school that afternoon. He then went to their homes and found that they had not been home, and his suspicions were aroused that they were the guilty ones, resulting in their arrest.

SENT TO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

John Lucia Pled Guilty to Larceny From Luther Nelson.

The taking of evidence in Washington county court in the case of Cate vs. Fife & Child was completed Saturday morning and one argument for the plaintiff was made.

John Lucia of Barre Town pleaded guilty to the larceny of \$120 from Luther Nelson of that town and was sentenced by Judge Taylor to the state industrial school at Vergennes for the remainder of his minority, or until August 1911. If his behavior at that institution is not satisfactory the alternative sentence is in the house of correction at Rutland for not less than three nor more than three and one-half years at hard labor.

Mrs. Johanna Giamberetti of Barre against whom there is an old case of selling, was taken into court and on the recommendation of State's Attorney Gates was released upon her own recognizance. Mrs. Giamberetti has just been released from the house of correction at Rutland after serving a sentence for furnishing.

William Joyal of Northfield was able Saturday to raise the \$200 bail required in his case and was released until such time as he is wanted before the grand jury.

HUNDREDS WERE FED
AT BOWERS' CLAMBAKEIt Was the Thirtieth Time That This
Firm Has Had a Bake for Its
Customers, and It Was Fully
Up to Its Predecessors.

The number 13 must have lost its significance as a bringer of ill luck, if it ever possessed such power. At least the hoodoo failed to work Saturday afternoon, when the 13th annual clambake of the R. C. Bowers trading company was given at Fountain park near the Marvin farm between this city and Montpelier. This clambake is given annually to the company's patrons of polishing supplies and their workmen, and this year there were 400 invitations sent out. As the event is one which all of those invited are glad to attend, almost all of them were present.

The lake was given in the large tent which the company keeps for this special purpose. An idea of the magnitude of the affair can be gained from the fact that it required 250 pounds of lobsters and 15 bushels of clams and an abundance of sweet potatoes and corn to feed the crowd. The usual menu of clam chowder, steamed clams, steamed lobsters, sweet potatoes and corn on the cob served in the lusk was placed before the guests.

The feed was prepared by that fine of chefs, "Captain" Joseph Wilson of Providence, R. I., who has officiated at the Bowers bakes for several seasons, and each time it seems that the sea food has a little better flavor than before when prepared under the skillful direction of this veteran of the art.

The company's sales were up by 30 of the young ladies of this city and Montpelier, and everywhere among the guests was seen the face of the president of the company, R. C. Bowers, who was doing his usual best to give the party an excellent time. Souvenirs of brief pipes and tobacco were given to each of the guests during the afternoon. Music for the occasion was furnished by Whittier's concert orchestra of nine pieces.

PICNIC AT CALEDONIA.

Under Auspices of the Ladies of Clan
Gordon Saturday.

The Ladies of Clan Gordon held their second annual picnic at Caledonia park Saturday afternoon. There were over 100 people present and a very pleasant time was enjoyed. The committee, to whom much of the success of the picnic is due, was composed of the following ladies, the chief sister, Mrs. John Carson, the vice chief sister, Mrs. James R. Gault, the secretary, Mrs. William Johnston, the chaplain, Mrs. James Fraser, the recording secretary, Mrs. Lizzie Wood, the financial secretary, Mrs. Geo. Angus, the treasurer, Mrs. George Williamson, Mrs. Peter Brown, Mrs. Daniel Blake, Mrs. Jane Milne, Mrs. Rose Inglis, Mrs. William Cruikshank and Mrs. John Gordon.

Dancing was enjoyed in the pavilion, music being furnished by George Angus and the orchestra of four pieces. Refreshments of ice cream, bananas and soft drinks were sold by the ladies at the booths. A base ball game, umpired by Thomas Marr, was played between the married men and the single men, which resulted in a victory for the married men by a score of 1 to 0. The batteries were P. N. Wheeler and Robert Cruikshank for the married men and David Stewart and James Milne for the single men.

The clambake was won by Robert Johnston, David Stewart second, and George Fowler third. The sack race was won by James Glass, George Williamson second and Alex. Brown third.

The boys' race was won by Walter McIlroy first, Loren Anderson second and Alex. Brown third.

ENGLISHMEN AT OUTING.

Sons of St. George at Shepard's Grove
Saturday Afternoon.

The members of the Sons of St. George, order and their families, numbering in all about 75 people, held their annual outing at Shepard's grove Saturday afternoon, and the occasion was made a most enjoyable one for all. A matched base ball game was played between the married and single men, which the single men won by a score of 10 to 4. One of the notable features of the game were the three home runs rapped out by Thomas Blackmore. The batteries were William and Charles Oliver for the single men and Keast and Bishop for the benedicts. Thomas Nichols occupied the official position of umpire. In the quizzing contest, C. Oliver and Keast defeated Bowen and W. Oliver.

The committee in charge of the picnic was composed of John Bishop, John Rotwey, William Oliver, Charles Oliver and Nicholas Veale.

SLICED OFF MANY MILES.

Auto Party Finds Short Route from
Old Orchard to Barre.

On their return yesterday from Old Orchard Beach, Me., where they have been spending the summer, A. D. Morse and family picked out what they considered to be the shortest automobile route from Barre to Old Orchard. By means of it they cut off some 25 miles of traveling usually made by autoists and they even beat the railroad route by 15 miles.

Their machine registered 172 miles, and the route is here given for the benefit of those who may wish to make the trip: from Old Orchard to Burton, to Standish Post-office, to Maytown, to Baldwin, to Bridgton, to Hallowell, to Fryeburg, Me., over into New Hampshire to North Conway, to Bartlett, to Fabyans, to Wing Road, to Littleton, to Lisbon, and then to Woodsville; then across the state line into Vermont, via Wells River, South Ryegate, Groton, Orange Heights, East Barre, Barre.

Carrying four passengers and a quantity of baggage, Mr. Morse's new Pennsylvania automobile covered the 172 miles between 7:30 in the morning and 6:30 in the evening, with time out for a break all the way. To his surprise and to the surprise of those who were with him, he found that there wasn't a skip or a break all the way. To his surprise and to the surprise of those who were with him, he found that there wasn't a skip or a break all the way.

Mr. Morse reports that the summer season at Old Orchard, although commencing later than usual, was nevertheless good, and they took for a big season next year. He says that Charles Camp, Bell's new Vesper House gained an enviable repute for itself, and that the house is pretty well looked for next summer already.

WATER AND
FIRE PATROLSFirst to Prevent Water Waste;
Other to Prevent Fires

AN UNUSUAL SITUATION

The Water Department Is Pumping Con-
tinuously to Keep the Remaining
Few Feet of Water in the
Bolster Reservoir.

For two nights this city has been patrolled by a fire patrol and to-day a water patrol was put on, because of the shortage of water in the city's reservoirs. This indicates in a measure the seriousness of the situation caused by the longstanding drought, which, by the way, gives no sign of breaking. The only hope now is the possibility of rain. If it doesn't rain then, people will about give up expecting rain. The Northfield fair, let it be told, means to-morrow and continues for three days. Of course, there is no ill-will meant to the Northfield fair, but—well, wait and see.

Chief Gladding of the fire department put on a fire patrol Saturday night, whose beat covered the business section from the city hall to Cottage street on Main street. At the same time the night police patrolmen were keeping a strict watch for any indications of a fire. The work of the water patrol consisted largely of visiting the out-of-the-way corners, lack of the business buildings, and it is probable that the same work will be continued to-night. If a serious fire should get under way at the present time, the firemen would be greatly handicapped because of the shortage of water, whose duties consist of visiting the granite plants and other users of city water. Wherever they find that water is being wasted, those places will be cut off entirely from use of city water. At one of the first places visited to-day, they found three faucets running wide-open. The water department desires to retain it would do well to have their fixtures repaired at once.

But nine feet of water remain in the Bolster reservoir, a drop of six feet within three days, and the remainder is being rapidly cut down to-day. To stop off complete collapse of the system, the water department pumped by steam all day Sunday and kept it up during to-day, but with little appreciable effect.

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MONTPELIER SHEDS
SHUT DOWN TO-DAYEight of Them Can't Get Power—Supt.
Smith of Water Department Re-
ports Reservoir 17 Inches Be-
low Normal.